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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Forest Hill - Trailhead Wildfire Threatens 400 Structures

(U) The Trailhead fire, a 300-acre wildfire near Foresthill, is threatening 400 structures in Placer and El Dorado counties. At least 100 homes in Placer County were evacuated yesterday due to the steep and inaccessible terrain the fire currently covers. Fire fighters are working around the clock to prevent further spread of the fire, but aerial support was temporarily suspended last night when a drone was spotted over a section of the blaze. The blaze is completely uncontained at this time. SOURCE: 29 June 2016, KCRA

(U) San Jose – Man Killed in Shooting Near San Jose State University, City's Second in Two Days

(U) A man was shot to death in broad daylight and another was injured a block away from the San Jose State campus yesterday afternoon, marking the second homicide in two days in San Jose. The city has recorded 24 homicides this year, 14 more than the same time period last year. Police figures for the first half of 2016 show an increase in overall violent crime hovering between five and six percent. No explanation for these rises has been reported.

SOURCE: 31 May 2016, Mercury News

(U) Los Angeles – Inmates Attack Officers at California State Prison-Los Angeles County

(U) Four correctional officers were injured yesterday in inmate attacks at California State Prison-Los Angeles County. In one incident yesterday, two officers were attacked while escorting an inmate out of his cell. One officer required five staples to the back of his head and will be kept overnight at the hospital for observation. The second officer was released and is recovering at home. Later in the day a subsequent incident occurred that resulted in minor injuries to two additional officers. Officials are investigating whether the two incidents are related.

SOURCE: 28 May 2016, CDCR, The Tribune

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – IRS To Step Up Its Cyber, Fraud Detection Efforts

(U) Washington – The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) plans to implement a series of new authentication measures and information sharing practices in 2017 to enhance the security of some of its applications. Enhancement measures that were put in place last year have resulted in roughly 40 percent fewer reports of identity theft compared to the first half of last year, and the IRS hopes to improve this number in 2017. The IRS is sharing and collecting more information and data from state, local and industry partners which also assisted the organization in identifying fraud more quickly.

SOURCE: 28 June 2016, Federal News Radio

(U) New York - College Students Take to Social Media to Take on Terrorism

(U) Rochester – A team of Rochester Institute of Technology students were named as the winners for a US State Department contest seeking ways to counter terrorist messaging online. The team developed a social media campaign called "It's Time: ExOut Extremism." Working with Rochester's Muslim

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community, the students created a logo, website, social media and events to raise awareness about violent extremist ideologies on their campus and in the community. Students presented their work to a panel of judges from the State Department, Facebook, the Department of Homeland Security and other non-profit agencies including California-based EdVentures.

SOURCE: 29 June 2016, ABC News

(U) Virginia – Man Arrested for Threatening US Senators on Twitter

(U) Alexandria – A federal judge has banned a Virginia Uber driver from using Twitter after he was charged with making threats to Republican senators and other members of Congress using the social media platform. The man allegedly posted threats under the Twitter handle @Chirperson. The account has been suspended. Mental health testing and treatment also was ordered by the judge.

SOURCE: 29 May 2016, Washington Post

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Turkey - Istanbul Ataturk Airport Attack Leaves 41 Dead, 239 Injured

(U) Istanbul – A triple suicide bombing at Instanbul's Ataturk International Airport yesterday left 41 dead and 239 individuals injured. The bombers detonated explosive vests in the arrivals hall of the airport, the third busiest in Europe. The individuals had been trying to pass through security when they were stopped by Turkish security officials. A gun fight ensued between the suspects and security ending in coordinated detonations between the three bombers. No immediate claims of responsibility have been made, but Binali Yildirim, Turkey's prime minister, said it appeared to have been an attack by Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant (ISIL).

SOURCE: 29 June 2016, Telegraph

(U) Algeria – Security Service Foils Jihadist Mall Attack Plot

(U) Setif—Algerian security services foiled an attempt by ISIL-linked militants to attack a shopping mall in the Eastern city of Setif. The Park Mall is roughly 190 miles outside of the Capital and attracts roughly 40,000 visitors a year. The attacked was planned by a group that lost eight members who were killed in a 31 May firefight with the Algerian army. The militants allegedly are associated with an ISIL affiliate group currently active in Libya.

SOURCE: 29 June 2016, Times

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